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FROM CHARGE

E. O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PBOR, KE, SO  
SUBJECT: KENYAN ASSESSMENT OF VISIT BY HIGH LEVEL SOMALI DELEGATION

REF: NAIROBI 9168

1. I TOOK OPPORTUNITY OF MEETING WITH MFA PERMSEC NG'AN'A  
ON ANOTHER MATTER(REPORTED SEPTTEL) TO DISCUSS DIRECTLY WITH  
HIM KENYAN PERCEPTION OF VISIT HERE BY SOMALI VICE PRESIDENT  
KULMIE.

2. NG'ANG'A, WHO PARTICIPATED IN ALL THE MEETINGS WITH  
THE SOMALIS, TOLD ME THAT SPIRIT OF THE MEETINGS HAD BEEN  
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GOOD, AND THAT WHAT APPEARED EARNEST EXPRESSIONS BY THE  
SOMALIS OF DESIRE NOT TO HAVE FURTHER BORDER INCIDENTS  
WERE WELCOMED AND RECIPROCATED BY KENYA. THE  
HOSTILITIES AT RAMU, HE SAID, HAD OBVIOUSLY BOTHERED  
THE SOMALIS, AND DELEGATION HAD BEEN SENT HERE TO  
ASSURE KENYA THAT RAMU INCIDENT HAD NOT BEEN DELIBERATE  
ACT TO SABOTAGE BASICALLY STABLE CONDITIONS WHICH

HAVE EXISTED AT BORDER SINCE SIGNING OF ARUSHA ACCORD. FURTHERMORE, VP KULMIE HAD SAID THAT HIS ADVICE TO SOMALIS LIVING IN KENYA WAS TO LOOK TO KENYA AS THEIR HOME.

3. ON OTHER HAND, NG'ANG'A ASSERTED THAT KENYA WAS NOT GOING TO BE LULLED INTO BELIEVING TROUBLES WITH SOMALIA ARE OVER. TALKS WITH SOMALIS ESTABLISHED MUTUAL DESIRE TO AVOID INCIDENTS FOR TIME BEING, BUT THEY WENT NO FURTHER. DESPITE ALL THEIR PROTESTATIONS OF INTEREST IN GOOD RELATIONS WITH KENYA, SOMALIS LONG-TERM INTENTIONS WILL REMAIN SUSPECT UNTIL THEY AGREE PUBLICLY TO RESPECT INTERNATIONAL TREATIES AND AGREEMENTS ON INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARIES.

4. WITH RESPECT TO BILATERAL BORDER COMMISSION WHICH IS TO BE SET UP TO HELP AVERT FUTURE INCIDENTS, NG'ANG'A SAID IT WOULD RESEMBLE EXISTING COMMISSIONS AT UGANDAN AND TANZANIAN BORDERS. KENYA SIDE WOULD BE HEADED BY PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONER FOR NORTH EASTERN PROVINCE. INTERESTINGLY, NG'ANG'A INTERPRETATION OF WHAT HAS BEEN AGREED TO WITH RESPECT TO BORDER COMMISSION CONFLICTS WITH SOMALI INTERPRETATION. AT RECEPTION HOSTED BY SOMALI AMBASSADOR JULY 20 I WAS TOLD BY VP KULMIE THAT THERE HAD BEEN AGREEMENT TO ESTABLISH JOINT MINISTERIAL COMMISSION. NG'ANG'A SAID CONFIDENTIAL

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A MINISTERIAL COMMISSION MIGHT RESULT IF LOWER LEVEL BORDER COMMISSION WAS SUCCESSFUL, BUT THA THERE WAS NO PRESENT INTENTION BY KENYA TO ESTABLISH ONE.

5. I ASKED NG'ANG'A IF MERE FACT BORDER COMMISSION WAS BEING ESTABLISHED CARRIED WITH IT POSITIVE IMPLICATION THAT SOMALIS WERE AT MINIMUM RECOGNIZING THERE

WAS A BORDER. HE REPLIED THAT THIS THOUGHT HAD OCCURRED TO KENYANS, BUT THAT THEY WERE RESISITING IMPULSE TO ENGAGE IN WISHFUL THINKING.  
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